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A PROCLAMATION. BA J. GREGORY SMITH.

fitting occasion for the people of this unitedly to humble themselves before

estom I places of worship, to offer to the were younger still. as Ruler of nations their humble praise. We had a log-house, as most settlers had

his quinckening our faith, strongth- the conquest, is a constant inspiration.

ichi of battle, in the hospital, or lan- to him." And he kept his word.

i may be our rare-ward."

J. GREGORY SMITH , if a fixedlency the Governor, AMUEL WILLIAMS.

See, of Civil and Military Affairs.

Oven and Horses.

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ken; so that, for all practical purposes, we best from the contest. This was fatal to may safely calculate that none of the thou- authority, as we discovered afterward. the first state of the state of entirely lost to our farmers.

must rule high for a long time to come, but taking the butter from the tea-table and enormous cousumption of horses must inevitably exert a double pressure in regard to drubbing for the robbery, and he submitted them, and we desire to call the attention of to Ben's authority; but butter and honey, our farmers to the important points connect- and sweets of all kinds, were appropriated, ed with the subject.

This scarcity of horses and consequent havior. My mother was very unhappy behigh prices will stimulate the breeding of tween her love for Ben and her fear for Bruhorses for some years to come, and our farmers may be certain that colts will pay better than that and Manure Forks and than ever before. As manual labor will also be high, it will generally be for the interest of farmers to raise those things which remathe right, up stairs, Union Block | quire the hast; and in this view, the raising of colts has some decided advantages. Each one, however, must be his own judge as to er, "and I think he will do me harm yet." his circumstance.

. The second point to which we wish to call attention, is in relation to the employment of my mother. TAGES OF ALL KINDS, exen in place of horses upon our farms .-There are but few farms on which oxen may not be kept with decided profit. A voke of oxen can be bought for the price of a good will do nearly double the work on a farm, TABLERY & DRY GOODS. and, it carefully used and well fed, will sell, after the crops are all in, for a profit over their cost. There are but few farmers who life had been unable to get any clue to her hand to conceal the tears that were trickling an entirely new direction, stopping one or and Note by Portrait Gallery. could not eas y realize a profit of thirty to sentiments toward him. She had spent a down his cheeks, but in a moment he roused two soldiers whom he met by the way, to ask fitty dollars a year by purchasing oxen in the early part of winter, and selling again the next fall or early winter. By generous feed- brother in-law being friends, it was there my but the good soldier wants only his comrades self before the attending surgeon of Hospital Levett's Bailding ing and careful usage, they will give a net brother had seen her. Her great coolness about him when life is going out. Some one No. 2. profit on their growth, besides doing work toward him was a great tor sent to an impul- among them will bear his dying message. Octor? Is Lieut. Frank Gordon buried enough to pay for all they eat. We know farmers who realize a profit or fifty to one hundred dollars a year, by adopting a similar ed him. At last he lapsed into a state so have no discretion.' WATERES, JEWELRY SHEYER AND course to that we have recommended,

Our object at this time is merely to call attention to these two points, which seem to us to be deserving of the serious attention of our farmers generally. The question o the comparative cost of horse and ax labor is one of greater importance than is generally supposed, and at another time we may consider it at greater lenght. Meantime, we readers upon the subject. - Massachusetts Ploughman.

Ben's Bear.

FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS.

Thirty years ago my father, a half-pay cap aighty God, and in observance of a cus- tain, emigrated to Lower Canada. He bought a, which finds its sanction and approval in a farm in the vicinity of Stanstead, where h hest promptings of the christian's heart, settled with a family of three boys and as I do hereby appoint THURSDAY, THE money girls. There were two many of as for SEVENTH DAY OF APRIL NEXT, to be his means in England, where boys often cothe even us as day of Public Fasting, more than they are worth-and possibly this is sometimes true with girls. Ben was nine-Ben, you will be killed!" And I do earnestly invite the people of teen when he went into the bush-a brave employment, and to assemble in their ers, and a good protector for his sisters, who

desing before Him their sins, as individu- then, to begin with. It was quite an aristo- lily, she was so frightened at herself and mongers, and paper correspondents, anxious and as communities, and in penitential cratic edefice for that region, having three ow, seeking forgivness through a cruci- large rooms, while most log-houses had but two rooms, and many but one. It was called ing been betrayed into an avowal of a ten- camp-followers; thieves and gamblers, all in as devously so k His blessing upon us with hemlock bark, smooth side toward the derness for Ben. When she recovered her one heterogenous mass, sought entrance tamonwealth, that He will give us the rooms, for we were to spend one winter in it. witz, she said, "Oh, I'll never come here within the federal lines. It was this influx is fluences of the sam and rain, that We moved to our opening the first of May, again," The saw upon the labor of the hus- and had the summer before us. We were "Indeed you will," said Ben. "I'll ban- Price had been denied the privilege of seekthe and a point of the spirit and hope. A new country and is a Bruin, or imprison him, or do anything ing in the hospitals Lieut. Frank Gordon, . an coundant reward, and above all, a new life, with all before you to conquer, you wish." the will bless us by the presence if His at the consciousness of strength to make It was surprising how clear-sighted Ben champion in school days, and affianced hus-

ar importing to us a truer Ben's bear was the first winning in the that he heretofore made light of. My moth In the long roughly constructed shed, im-

g in captivity. He will be near them to The small beast stept with Ben, always "He must have a pris n," said Ben.

and or die outright, while the other seven feet from the floor. Up this the bear new den he raised the boards in his struggle the fact.'

Francient copies can be sent the army will ever return. Their labor is no bounds. He lost his love for the sacred bear. volume, and had no care what became of it. Prices of all kinds of stock and produce He showed his disrespect for my mother by eating it before her eyes. Ben gave him a if Ben were not at home to enforce good bein. She grew miserably afraid of the bear, and what was worse, the bear knew it. She complained to Ben: but he only said, "Mother you have only to be resolute with him .-Ellen can drive him away from the table, be- orders?' cause she is not afraid of him."

whother coiteralsing may be profitable under "Give him a taste of hot poker, mother, irritate and trouble him, thereby retarding take any, hey? Well, I don't know but you have witnessed the extraordinary spectacle of inquire, how did you pay that \$450 that you and I'll answer for him afterward."

"I would not try it for the world," said

The bear had his own way very completely, till a circumstance occurred which resulted more favorably for the peace of the family than my mother's mild remonstrances .tell in love with her, as in duty bound, she to her in this life?" considerable portion of the past year with a himself. married sister in Stanstead, and Ben and the 'The case is very hard,' he said, slowly; Within an hour afterward he presented him-

ser came to visit us. She had never seen rand was known to the soldiers, and how-Ben's bear, and did not even know of its ex- ever much they have a knowledge the necesfactor of Dealer in Furniture and Chairs, should be pleased to hear from our farmer ner. When the time came for Alice and her have lacked the firmness of the old colonel, to bear them company through the woods to plea of the blue-eyed girl who had just gone did not agree with the boyish-looking offitheir opening. Ben incautiously opened the away.

My prother threw off the beast and caught ward. State, on that day to lay aside all secu- boy, and a good leader for his younger broth- the fainting Alice to his glad heart, saying As invariably occurs immediately after a "Dear Alice he is a tame bear: do not be battle, crowds of civilians, bent on every im-

became regarding faults on the bear's part band in manhood.

strange search he would keep up by the indomitable desire to lie at the foot of Ben's him. the enormous waste of horse-life by our hour, if he were not shut out of the room. bed, or to hug an old vest under it, was sure | 'With letters from Nashville to the gener- bargain, and then remember that men don't copperhead in Strafford, has been forwarded he, both North and South, affords mate- He took possession of his master's clothes to make him break away from any breakable al in command? Give them to my orderly kiss each other.' for serious consideration to stock-raisers, and other belongings, and used them so restraint. Therefore a prison was made for and he will give you back the general's anformers generally. According to Gen, roughly, still seeking for their owner-in- him. It was made of small logs "cobbled swer," Hele's official report, our cavalry average serting himself into legs of trowsers and up;" that is, the ends notched with an axe, 'You must excuse me, Colonel, I am un-port that there was a manifest improvement was promoted to his present position. He set of horses every two months! We sleeves of coats, that my mother locked and the end of a log fitted into each notch, der orders not to let these letters go out of in Lieutenart Frank Gordon, and congrat- was always a democrat, and voted for D u. how what proportion of them are everything in a wardrobe. Nothing of Ben's The roof was made of boards destined for my hands unless into those of Gen. Rose- ulated his brother on the good effect of nurs- las at the last Positional Legisland Inc. was left out, except a large folio bible, which the new house, held in place by heavy stones. Crans. If you say I cannot go up to ing. The servant of the last had arrived and Strafford copperhead afores, it, and it points because that at least one-half of them rested on the top of the wardrobe, six or The first night the poor beast occupied his headquarters, then I must return and report according to the direction had been admitted cal friend, took occasion on his promotion to - Dover Enquiror.

will ever find their way back to New Eng- blows from the broom-stick, but held fast to Under other circumstances, he would have any one, but I can't see that these orders ex- ed by the improvement of the man who had ter appears to be made up of the bitterness land or the West, from which they were ta- the book, and my mother came off second mourned the loss of his sublimely-ugly pet; tend to an officer in the service bearing disken; so that, for all practical purposes, we best from the contest. This was fatal to her but he had a new and life-long pet in prospect perhaps many other pets after that, you say the name was?"

After Murfreesboro.

A Story that has the Disadvantage of

Being True.

'I must pass the lines, Colonel.' 'I am sorry, my dear madam, to deny your with the sententiousness of a veteran. request; but our orders cannot be departed from,' was the answer of the gray-haired officer who sat before the camp-table and ad-

"But I am afraid of him," said my moth- soldier has every attendance, and the pres- none of your infernal commissary stuff. I Had there been lookers on as well as lis- noble self from the exposure incident to the his recovery.'

that he shall die without a friend by his side morning, who can carry his last message to his far-off And the young man took his way alone in this paragraph:

sive lover. I believe Ben would have served You must not urge me young lady; I am a seven years, merely to know how she regard- soldier and cannot depart from my orders. I

unhappy and anxious, that even his bear. The girl turned away with a white face could not comfort him. About this time and clenched hands and walked silently out Alice Bennett came home to remain, and in from the camp. Many a cap was touched neighborly kindness, she and a vounger sis- respectfully to her as she passed, for her eristence. Ben shut Bruin into his bedroom sity of the barsh order that shut her away in compliment to our guests, and the after- from the wounded man who she sought, there noon passed pleasantly to all but the prisa- was many a one among them that would sister to go home, my brother and I prepared when he denied the passionately worded

bedroom door for his hat, never thinking of The smoke of the terrible struggle at Mur-Bruin, and came running to catch us. The freesboro had not yet cleared away, and tho' Eberated bear ran after his master, and jump- a week had passed away since the day of the ed for joy upon him, hugging him after the battle, order had not yet been brought from in the (to her) terrible embrace. She shrick- but the living were scarcely yet the recipient ed as a girl with a good voice only can of the care necessary to keep those who were shrick, but, instead of running away, she struggling between death and life on the rushed up to my brother, and tried to help right side. The hospitals were crowded, and him like a brave girl, crying, "Dear, dear the surgeon's knife, that testing steel to the bravery of the soldier, was busy in every of the dying man.

aginable errand, flocked to the camp. Rela-The poor girl looked like a broken white tives seeking the dead and the living; news car. She could hardly realize that the bear to pick up anything of incident to feed the was harmless, and she was ashamed of hav- hungry appetite of the public; peddlers and that brought the order under which Eleanor her playmate in childhood, her unflinching

the just conception of his holiness, and game which he and set houself to play with er had no need to complain of stolen butter, provised for a hospital, with dying men on the wild nature of the woods. I was then or a highway robbery of honey on its way every side, with horror and disorder, so that before Him our s' s as a ten years old, and that bear is the one thing from the pantry to the tea-table. Ben sud- it could not be shut away from the sight, lay and beserch Him to grant us His fa- which stands out most clearly in the dim denly discovered that his pet was a nuisance. the figure of a man, young and with well cut that he will give wisdom to all in author- distance of thirty years ago. Ben had shot of don't see how you have borne with him features, but gaunt and haggard. Above the He will grant success to our army the mother hear, and the same ball that kill- so long mother," he said in the most consid- husk mattrass upon which he was stretched navy, and crown the year with an endur- ed her killed one of her cubs; the other he erate manner, when he had taken a plum hung the coat that had just been removbrought home in his bosom. "Poor little pudding from a plate in my mother's hands, ed from his body, and upon the shoulder the Lus seek His Liessing upon the brave fellow!" he said, "he is too young to mourn and had made his way to the woods with it. | well worn and weather-beaten straps that ders, that whether in the camp, or on her his mother, and I intend to be a mother "I'm glad you saw him take it," said showed its owner of the rank of 1st Lieutenexcept the coat, and the gray army shirt was your patient entirely off your hands. I mean ducing them almost to powder, and they may lings in that case? I appeal to your better and tiess, to comfort and sustain laying its nose over Ben's shoulder. He And so it came to pass that the poor bear open upon the breast revealing the fact that to make him well, Doctor. He must get be eaten in moderate quantity with impuni- judgment, to your humanity, if indeed you and having accomplished their sacred grew apace: I used to think we could see was chained in center of the space that had his wounds, whatever their nature, were well for my sake.' With all my heart,' responded the doctor food, and, in a measure, to grown people as doubt very much. butter, and he ate bread and milk, with avid- with the light surveyor's chair used to meas- the tightly closed, colorless lips and dimmed -Gordon, I'm glad you've got somebody to well as to children. as may our Fast he ever " such as the ity. During the first winter, his was afoumb- ure land. The bear immediately described a eyes, spoke little hope for the life of Lieut. look after you. It's tight work to give anyhath chosen, that our light may break ed sort of half life. In the early spring he circle, limited by the length of the chain, Frank Gordon. Five days he had lain this body their just due. I hope your new to what their children eat, and often reduce with one that you considered so far beneath e morning, that our health may was a happy bear, going everywhere with his which he walked over and over, turning a way, trembling upon the verge of eternity, nurse will do you good. If you want any- them to skeletons, or unfit them for a vigor- you while in the capacity of a private soldier, county speedily, that our righteousness master, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only and pronounced by the attending surgeon thing of me, and only and pronounced by the attending surgeon thing of me, and only and pronounced by the attending surgeon thing of me, and only and pronounced by the attending surgeon thing of me, and only and pronounced by the attending surgeon thing of me, and only and pronounced by the attending surgeon thing of me, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of somersault always at one point, and only miserable if he lost sight of some sight of so 23 bef re us, and that the glory of the him. He was entirely obedient to my broth- stopping to eat, or pay attention to Ben, if past recovery. What little could be done in do it.' er, and always woke him in the morning - he came in his vicinity. Why he inaugurat- the fearful crowding of thousands of laceratunder my hand and the Seal of the As my father was about to build a frame- ed this particular and peculiar exercise I am ed men upon the hands of the attendants, From Executive Chamber at St. Albans, house, he sent Ben to buy material of a man unable to say, but I have often noticed a and the deficiency of hospital aid, had been place? It seems like a dream. But you must quickly digested in the stomach, and they considered a laurel of honor upon the dewho had a saw-mill in the next town. This tame bear keep up the circle and the somer- done, but the care to smooth the path of go away; you cannot stay in this terrible will grow vigorous and be able to withstand scendants of the very patriotic Massa Prime." Jambred and Sixty-Four, and of the In- was bruin's first uffliction, for he could not sault hour after hour and day after day. - death was not there. Right and left, and in spot.' dependence of the United States, the accompany his master. Ben stole away from He did not tug at his chain nor quarrel with every direction, he saw strong men turn him, and when the bear knew that he was it, as we poor mortals do with chains, but aside their heads and die in very despair, but not before. And now remember dar- sider these things, and see if they are not tory when that of " baby bounty shall have zone, he began to search for him. He went apparently accepted it as a provision of Ben's with lesser wounds than his own; and then, to my brother's bed, and beginning at the superior wisdom. This view of the case, if with a sickening terror, he sank back upon head, inserted his nose under the sheets and he took it, was sure to be abandoned at bed- his rough and easeless couch, with a prayer of the 12th Michigan, and I am your brothand blankets, and came out at the foot, then time when he would inevitably break his that his spirit might be called while his er. You will call me Smith, but remember he turned and reversed the process. This chain to get into his master's bedroom. His eyes remained close to the misery around that my position here is safe, unless you be-

average amount of farm work for some tempted to take it from him, but for the first shed some tears for him, and my mother re- swered.

with us?'

fess to have human sympathy can issue such never been under fire, youngster; If it's so- privilege of listening in these walks. 'Certainly, young lady. Why not? The a swallow of whisky; it'll do you good. It's henceforth be devoted to you only.'

horse, can be kept almost or quite as cheap, We had a neighbor, a Mr. Bennett, who had home, and to the old mother who will prize the direction of headquarters, until he came MARRIED, -On Thursday last by the Rev. in order that no democrat should leave the being the prettiest girl in the New World. The old man leaned his head upon his from the colonel's tent, then he struck off in this city. questions of the route.

'Buried?' questioned the doctor. 'He died, I believe this morning. If his

body still remains here. I should like to see 'Buried?' the doctor queried again. I ing: don't think he's dead vet, Lieutenant. We

sir, tho' we don't give them much chance The doctor did not watch the great gasp given by the young Lieutenant who stood be fore him, or possibly he, too, like the colonel, would have thought that the air of a hospital

don't bury anybody here until they are dead,

. We have to get rid of them very soon Lieutenant, after the breath is out, to make room for new-comers ; but we give them the best care we can, while the life is in. Frank menner of bears. Alice turned and saw Ben the terrible chaos. The dead were buried, Gordon isn't dead yet, but I am sorry to say, poor fellow, that there is no hope for him. There was a rumor this morning that he had slipped away from us, but I am glad to say

> that half an hour ago he was still alive.' In a few moments they stood by the pallet

> 'Gordon, here's a friend inquiring for you,

It was well he turned his back to depart with benefit, it ripe or nearly so. as he spoke, or he might have been witness to an inexplicable scene. The wounded man raised his eyes languidly, and instantly startthey were in each other's arms, the wounded man unable to say more than a single exclato the doctor's protest.

'We are brothers. Pardon me, doctor.' do-the excitement might kill him at nair "under the aproa."

who stood holding his hand.

'Now, Doctor, you must let me be nurse, cold.

And so the doctor walked away.

not Eleanor, but Lieutenant Smith Gordon ican Agriculturist. tray it. Now, then, one kiss only to seal the of the 7th Regt. U. S. Colored Troops, to a

and mostly permanently disabled for contrived to climb, and taking the bible in a to get out, impelled by the desire to seek his The old colonel seemed to consider a most he had appeared with a pair of blankets, a clean been furnished us, but as its insolent as well. Among the prisoners confined in the rebel Of the latter, perhaps one- tender embrace, he curled himself up and master. He got his head out, and then hung ment and eyed the young officer who shirt, and many little necessities and luxuries as treasonable character is sufficiently indi- prison at Salisbury, N. C., as hostages, we

their very looks.

'Gordon! Gordon!-I've heard that name manner of Lieutenant Smith Gordon, that spleen upon me, relying, perhaps, upon the before, I think. Orderly, havn't we a Gordon could not be got by the command of those ties of old friendship to taunt me with what

higher intrank and louder in tone. Lieut, Frank Gordon, on staff sir. Shot We are come to the end. At last the you are now pluming yourself upon having in the breast, sir. Died this morning, in day arrived when the wounded officer could adhered to the copperhead principle of down hospital No. 2, sir !"-answered the orderly, leave his couch and go out once more into with the "niggers," the administration and 'Ah-If-h, ves,' responded the Colonel, slow- of the young lieutenant that he leaned for herents to rule this country. You seem to ly 'I remember. Hallo, Lieutenant, what's support. Pale they were both one from glary in the slaveneracy and to wish that the the matter? You look pale. You're not the weary confinement of the hospital pallet, South might be successful in their undertakdressed a young girl who stood just within frightened at the idea of a man dying in the the other from watching beside it; but upon ings to establish a Southern Confederacy and hospital are you? Here orderly, a drop of the face of both shope a happiness that could make one mighty slave market of what was 'And can it be possible that men who pro- whisky for the lieutenant. Maybe you've be generated only by love. We claim the once-and yet uguin shall be-the great

a very lovely daughter of seventeen. Ben it beyond all other words that will be spoken to a turning of the street that hid him from Mr .- Lieut, Frank Gordon, U. S. A., to the eyes that were looking curiously out Eleanor, only daughter of Sam'l Price of happen they would subscribe the remaining

How to Keep Children Healthy.

by feeding them on toast or rice, weak gruel, (to use your own words) "A hell of a pro-&c. Give them rather a good supply of motion, and one that will ever illume the 'Oh, Eleanor, why did you come to this hearty food finely reduced that it will be career of Joe Prime-and that will ever be the changes of climute, and the exp sures to You speak of the name of "conscript" as 'Yes Frank, when I can take you with me which they are ever liable. Mothers, con- being destined to live upon the pages of hisling, this first lesson as nurse. My name is true and in accordance with reason. - Amer- long and long been forgotten. I agree with

A Copperhead Fitly Answered.

The following letter from Lt. J. H. Prime us for publication. Lt. Prime enlisted as a rounds, he was astonished to be able to re- he serv d until a few months since, when he with the young officer's luggage, from which write him a letter, a copy of which has also may, with ordinary care, be able to do dropped to the floor with it. My mother at- by the neck, and so was choked to death. I stood before him well over, before he an- that the doctor declared to contain life in cated by Lt. Prime's reply, it is unnecessary see the name of Lieutenant Holman, 6th to publish it.

CAMP 7th U. S. Colored ? Troops, Feb. 18, 1864.

SIR :- (No friend of mine)-1 have the

and possibly, if directed to some one of your co-workers of iniquity (the myrmidons of

Jeff Davis) it might have met their (or his) approval and have been reiterated in kind. but as for me I scorn to own any such rebel years to come. But few of them, however, time he showed fight. He received many joiced. I think Ben was not very sorry.- | 'It is against orders, Lieutenant, to pass | The days sped away, and each was mark-sympathizer as a friend of mine. Your letsometimes reading such books and paper as upon fulsome, fawning, sycophantic copperwas the favor accorded to the firm, quiet erty to vent the full force of your envenomed I had once said in regard to "niggers," and the open air, and then it was upon the arm the Union, and allow Jeff Davis and his ad-American Union. You say that you considyou're excusable—it's a dirty business. Take 'The life you have saved, Eleanor, shall er yourself a here because you paid the sum of \$450 to procure a substitute to save your ence of an amateur nurse could not fail to send up to my place for my whisky. Won't teners, they would, at that identical moment battle-field. Now, for one moment let me are right. Whisky is a bad thing in the two persons in the uniform of Union service are playing that inevitable democratic game 'Colonel, this is no argument, but sophis- long run. Shall I send my orderly up with clasped in each other's arms-the taller pres- of brag about? I will tell you, for in all try. I have asked permission to pass that I you? No. Very good, if you think you sing kiss after kiss upon the lips, cheeks, probability you are of the opinion that I may seek one whom your own surgeons re- can find the way. You look rather eyes and forehead of the other, and within a know nothing about it, or, at least, you seem port as mortally wounded. Do you intend young for this kind of business. Good week after, if they had scanned the columns of to think so. In the first place the town of the Cincinnati papers they would have seen Strafford voted to pay \$300 to all those who were drafted to help them hire a substitute. town, and rather than such a thing would \$150 (as they did in your case) and keep them at home to boast of their hero-e-ic conduct in not coming to the war. Truly such men are well represented by the aliens who are hired by them of the substitute brokers The mortality among the children in our of New York, who hire them for a mere pitcities, as well as in the country, is sad to tance, beside the cost of bad whiskey which contemplate. Is there any necessity for it costs to intoxicate them. Those who are this? Are all these children sent into the ever ready to complain of the amounts paid world to be thus early cut down? Are not to soldiers-and their families-who are nine out of ten of these early deaths the re- fighting their country's battles for themsuit of ignorance? What parents ever lost men who echo and re-scho the cry of uncona child, except by accident, without think- stitutional at every act of Congress, fespecially the conscription bill)-Cowards who "It I had treated it differently, it would dare not meet the foe, but shrink behind not have died?" The loss of our own their \$450 (subscription) as they would bethree first-born has led us to thick much hind some friendly rock or tree, if on the upon this topic, and three almost always battle-field, seeking some nook or corner to healthy living ones are evidences that our hide them from the foe. Can you find no studies on the subject have not been in vain. better occupation-nothing better suited to A few hints on the topic may not be without your narrow mind than reviling me because I am drilling a race of human beings-ves. Next to securing plenty of sound sleep, or human beings, as much a part of God's crerather before it, we place the proper prepalation as either you or I-who have been enration of food. The kind of food they eat is slaved in a nominaly free country for years? or half so much consequence as the manner Do you remember the letter you wrote to of its reparation. Give a child a hard ap- me two years ago last September, in which ple and let him swallow it in pieces from the you made the remark that "it is the duty of size of a large pea upward. The result will every young man in the North to put his be, that the lumps will be parily worn of shoulder to the wheel and help fight the hatby the coats of the stomach, and partly diss thes of his country?" Where now is all solv I by the gastric jucces but after a time, your housted patriotism? I can answer .the renaining portion of the lumps will be dwindled down into four hundred and fifty forc I down into the intestines and go dellars to hire a substitute and that paid by through the length of fifteen to twenty feet, the town. Is that the way in which you producing at least griping and irritation all think that every young man should put his the way, if not diarrhes or dysentery. But shoulder to the wheel? I had hoped that said the doctor. 'I will leave you with him, first scrape or much the apple to a fine pulp, among my school fellows I should not find a and it may then be eaten with impunity, and rebel sympathizer, one who would address to

me such language as you used in your letter Feed a child on boiled potatoes cut up, or -a man who being born north of Mason on potatoes coarsely mashed and fried in fit, and Dixon's line that could say slavery was and y u will be pretty sure to find more or right, or intimate as much by saying what to a sitting posture, then in a minute more less of lumps of potatoes remaining undi- you did in regard to the claves returning to gested. How can it be otherwise than that their masters. The man il say who lives these lumps must have produced irritation north of that line and can say that he thinks mation, the other speaking hastily in reply in the intestines. But mush these same po- slavery is right, must have resigned all claims tatoes finely before feeding them, and then of manhood-if indeed he ever was possessthe fine material will be digested and afford ed of any such quality-any such canobling 'Yes-but, my dear sir, this will never nutriment instead of giving uneasiness and quality as a claim to manhood. Think how you would feel were you in the same position The same holds true of most meats. Cut that these men have been in being ground 'Oh, no; I shall stay here and nurse him. up fine-as fine as shot almost-they will be down by the iron heel of the oppressor-There, Frank, lie down and be quiet. You digested, and produce nourishment; while if forced to labor for the comfort and aggranmust mind me if I am to be your nurse.' fed in coarse pieces, they will lie in the dizement of some southern tyrant and be The wounded man lay down once more, stomach, like a meat poultice on the outside, rewarded by blows and knocks; yes, to hear but over his pale face a flush had spread that the cause of uneasiness if not of inflamma- the sears of such brutal treatment through looked something like returning health. In tion. Feed raisins and nuts to children, and life, and then-breause you had offered your his eyes burned a secret joy that made him unless very strong and vigorous, the chances life upon your country's altar-to be sneered forget the hospitals and its surroundings and are that they will induce immediate sick- at by men who should be loudest in your centered upon the face of the young officer ness or a weakened system, liable to be praise, and advised to return to those brutal affected by the first change of heat and masters and live on a life of slavery and misery when the path of usefullness lies ant. He had been divested of no clothing I will not trouble you a bit, and will take Chop these same raising or nuts finely, re- open before you. What would be your feelty. These remarks apply to all kinds of have any such releasing quality, which I

Sir, I can but feel grateful to you for your you-the name of "conscript" shall ever live in the most damning reproach to our country-as the darkest blot upon the fair pages of National History-like the mark of Cain upon whoever the "Conscript Act" may have reached, and at whom the finger of scora will ever be pointed by all traly loyal men. Now, sir, hoping that you may soon see the error of your ways and reform. I

leave you to your reflections, a d I remain. M err - ect'ly tour avic wre't.

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